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## Select Poetry.

### OCTOBER.

There comes a month in the weary year—  
A month of leisure and healthful rest;  
When the ripe leaves fall, and the air is clear;  
October : the brown, the crisp, the bleak.

My life has little enough of bliss:  
I drag the days of the cold eleven,  
Counting the time that shall lead to this—  
The month that opens the hunter's heaven.

And oh ! for the mornings crisp and white,  
With the sweep of the hounds upon the track;  
The bark-roofed cabin, the camp-fire's light,  
The break of the deer and the rifle's crack.

Do you call this trifling ? I tell you, friend,  
A life is the forest is past all praise,  
Give me a dozen such months on end—  
You may take my balance of years and days.

For brick and mortar breed filth and crime,  
And a pulse of evil that throbs and beats;  
And men grow withered before their prime  
With the curse paved on the lawns and streets.

And lungs are choked, and shoulders are bowed  
In the smothering rock of mire and mine;  
And Death stalks in on the struggling crowd,  
But he shuns the shadow of oak and pine.

And of all to which the memory clings,  
There is naught so sweet as the sunny spots  
Where our shanties stood by the crystal springs,  
The vanished sounds, and the lucky shots.

—From THE ALDINE for October.

## Popular Miscellany.

### THE GRANGERS AND THE CRASH.

The Farmers' Movement and the Dishonest Element.

It is, of course, only prejudice in favor of gamblers, cheats, and confidence in men like Jay Cooke & Co., which impels certain Eastern organs of monopoly and its handmaid, speculative swindling, to say that "the farmers' movement in connection with the establishment of granges has had much to do in precipitating this crash." But what if the allegation be true? What if instead of being merely one of the causes which have "precipitated a crash" that must, in the inevitable nature of things, have come sooner or later, the farmers' efforts to restrict the railroads in their exactions" be the sole and only cause which has precipitated the crash?

Let us take this roaring bull by the horns, and not seek to dodge it by any sort of evasion. What is this "crash" and its meaning? The London *Times* told the whole story when it said: "It is an effort of the fiscal system to get rid of its dishonest elements." It is, then, an honest and earnest response of the fiscal system to the farmers' movement, which is an effort of the political system, that includes the fiscal system, to get rid of its dishonest element.

The dishonest element in the fiscal system is admirably represented by the Jay Cooke sort of financiers, though the genesis of the dishonest element is found far behind all such persons, in that financial of the federal government which says that a promise to pay a dollar is itself a dollar. And who are the Jay Cookes? Men whose business activities consist in obtaining money under false pretences. The Northern Pacific Railroad schemes was only one, in a thousand huge "confidence games" to enable swindlers to get something for nothing. The very same organ of monopoly and swindling which asserts that the farmers' movement has done much to precipitate the bursting of the monstrous bubble of fraud and deception, confesses the truth in words depreciating the "fever of excessive speculation which has given rise to so many vast and ruinous railway schemes, professedly undertaken with the object of developing the resources of the country, but really no more than ingenious devices for the accumulation of enormous fortunes for their projectors;" such accumulation, it should be added, to complete the truth, being wholly at the cost of the labor industry of the country. The whole process consists in taking something from men who have labored for it and giving it to men who have not earned it. Any person from the rural districts who, on a visit to New York or Chicago, has been relieved of the contents of his pocketbook by a genteel appearing but vulgar, swindler called a "confidence man" has had an individual experience of that mode of "developing the resources of the country" which the Jay Cooke confederacy, aided by the federal government, have been practising upon the whole American people ever since the passage of that measure of unspeakable scoundrelism—the so-called "Legal Tender Act."

The Northern Pacific Railroad was projected by a ring of confidence swindlers for the purpose of swindling the people out of nearly 100,000,000 acres of land in one of our insurance offices in Boston. One day news arrived in Boston that this ship had suddenly taken fire, and been burned down to the water's edge. It had been insured in the Massachusetts Insurance Company, of which Gen. Arnold Wells was president and myself attorney.

General Wells told me of the misfortune that happened to the company in the loss of the vessel so largely insured; communicating to me at the same time, the somewhat extraordinary manner in which it had been destroyed.

"Do you intend?" I asked him, "to pay the insurance?"

"I shall be obliged to do so," replied the General.

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back at \$6 an acre the land which an incorrigible Congress had voted to the swindlers for nothing (or for a few shares in the swindle judiciously "placed where they would do the most good") and give them five bushels of wheat for carrying one bushel over their road, and thus pay the whole cost of the road out of the earnings of their dupes, "the people," and take their places among the grandest money nabobs of earth, own government and be regarded as "public benefactors!" To carry out this stupendous confidence swindle the "confidence men" got a charter authorizing a capital of \$100,000,000, but requiring only \$2,000,000 to be subscribed, and only ten per cent. of that amount to be actually paid in, making an actual available capital of only \$200,000—not a fifth part of the cost of surveying the route. But unlimited power to issue bonds would furnish the money, which the dupes who were expected to pay \$6 an acre for the wilderness and five bushels of wheat for carrying one bushel to market would pay, principal and interest, out of the products of their labor. So these pattern Tug Montagues proceeded to "shove" their bonds on every money market in Christendom where they could hope to find a man with more money than mother wit. Their course of procedure was characteristic of the men and the fraudulent scheme. It was especially in religious publications that their lying advertisements were to be seen. It was under the seeming patronage of "Young Men's Christian Associations" that these sharpers plausibly recommended Northern Pacific bonds to their customers as "better than government securities!" Pets of the federal Treasury Department, with branch banking houses in all corners of the earth and "freedom's savings banks" wherever there appeared the chance of handing some ignorant negro's small earnings, "with a psalm-singing paradise at Put-in-Bay and a gorgeous palace at Chilton Hills, these nabobs, with their saintly and sordid surroundings," succeeded by agencies of thorough dishonesty in disposing of \$85,000,000 of their paper securities, half of them to pay interest on the other half! What is their security? They have built 400 or 500 miles of railroad altogether; they have bought some rolling stock, tools, &c., amounting, all told, (according to *Poor's Railroad Manual*) to the exact value of \$15,804,374 22. Besides this they have "earned" (that is, are entitled, under the terms of their swindling charter, to land warrants for) 10,000,000 acres of their land subsidy. Reckoning the land at government price, (quite as much as could be got for it under the hammer) and all other assets at cost price, and it appears that the assets of this confidence concern amount to \$28,054,374 22, against an indebtedness of some \$85,000,000! And of "available assets" not one dollar.

Such are the utterly rotten character and worthless foundation of this Northern Pacific confidence swindle, whose timely explosion has exhibited to the country in all its lurid ghastliness the volcano of corruption, fraud and chicanery on which rests that false appearance of things which monopolists and swindlers call "the prosperity of the country" but which the men who really make all the prosperity that any country can enjoy are discovering is not prosperity, but robbery by confidence games of which they are the victims. "If their indignant uprising against this monstrous mode of plunder; if their vigorous and angry protests against the same organ of monopoly and swindling which asserts that the farmers' movement has done much to precipitate the bursting of the monstrous bubble of fraud and deception, confesses the truth in words depreciating the "fever of excessive speculation which has given rise to so many vast and ruinous railway schemes, professedly undertaken with the object of developing the resources of the country, but really no more than ingenious devices for the accumulation of enormous fortunes for their projectors;" such accumulation, it should be added, to complete the truth, being wholly at the cost of the labor industry of the country. The whole process consists in taking something from men who have labored for it and giving it to men who have not earned it. Any person from the rural districts who, on a visit to New York or Chicago, has been relieved of the contents of his pocketbook by a genteel appearing but vulgar, swindler called a "confidence man" has had an individual experience of that mode of "developing the resources of the country" which the Jay Cooke confederacy, aided by the federal government, have been practising upon the whole American people ever since the passage of that measure of unspeakable scoundrelism—the so-called "Legal Tender Act."

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tention to defraud the company of the insurance."

"But how shall we prove that? and what shall I say to Mr. L——, when he makes application for the money?"

"Say nothing I replied; "but bear quietly what he has to say."

"Some few days after this conversation, Mr. Blank came up to Boston, and presented himself to General Arnold Wells at the insurance office. Mr. Blank was a man very careful of his personal appearance, and of punctilious demeanor. He powdered his hair, wore clean ruffles and well-brushed clothes, and had a gravity of speech becoming a person of respectable position. All this demanded civil treatment; and whatever you might think of him, you would naturally use no harsh language toward him. He had a defect in his left eye, so that when he spoke he turned his right and sound eye to the person he addressed with a somewhat oblique angle of the head, giving it such a turn as a hen who discovers a hawk in the air. General Arnold Wells had a corresponding defect in his right eye."

"I have a wife and three children."

"Will you do me the favor to inform me how you have been able in seven years to support your family and accumulate a fortune of forty thousand dollars upon a salary of eight hundred?"

"I have not the slightest objection to answer your question, Colonel S——, provided you will suffer me first to propound a few pertinent interrogatories to you."

"Very well, Sir, I've no objections.

What are they?"

"Will you, then, be so kind as to inform me how long you have been connected with the —— Railroad?"

"Something like ten years."

"What, allow me to ask, has been your salary during that time?"

"I suppose it may have averaged about \$5000 a year."

"You have a family to support, if I am not mistaken?"

"Yes, Sir, I have a family."

"If it is not an improper question, Colonel S——, will you suffer me to ask what is the amount of your fortune?"

"Well, Sir, I don't know precisely, but it is something handsome."

"Would you estimate it at half a million dollars, Colonel?"

"Yes, I dare say it is."

"That being the fact, Sir, if you will do me the favor to disclose to me the secret of the process by which you in ten years have been able to transmute \$50,000 into ten times that amount, without any visible means outside your salary, I will most cheerfully tell you how I have managed, by turning an honest penny now and then, to amass the comparatively insignificant amount I have named."

"Mr. Blank hereupon shifted his foot, but I have heard it often described by others who were, General Wells came out from an inner office, on the announcement of Mr. Blank's arrival, and fixed him (to use a French expression) with his sound eye looking at him seriously, but calmly. Mr. Blank looked at General Wells with his sound eye, but not steadily—rather as if he sought to turn the General's right flank.

"They stood thus, with their eyes cocked at each other, for more than a minute before either spoke; when Mr. Blank thought best to take the initiative.

"It is a pleasant day, General Wells,

though rather cold," replied the General, without taking his eye from its range.

"I should not be surprised, General," continued Mr. Blank, "if we should have a fall of snow soon."

"There might be more surprising circumstances, Mr. Blank, than a fall of snow in February."

"Mr. Blank hereupon shifted his foot, and spoke. He did not feel at ease, and the less so from the desperate attempts to conceal his embarrassment.

"When do you think, General," he inquired, after a pause, "that Congress will adjourn?"

"It is doubtful, I should think, Mr. Blank, when Congress will adjourn; perhaps not for some time yet, as great bodies, you know, move slowly."

"Do you hear anything important from that quarter, General?"

"Nothing, Mr. Blank."

"Mr. Blank by this time had become very dry in the throat—a sensation, I have been told, one very apt to feel who finds himself in an embarrassing position, from which he begins to see no possibility of escape. He feared to advance, and did know how to make a successful retreat. At last, after one or two desperate and ineffectual struggles to regain self-possession, finding himself all the while within point-blank range of that raking eye, he wholly broke down, and took his leave without the least allusion to the matter of insurance."

"He never returned to claim the mon-

ey."

### Conductor and Vice President.

At a certain period, some six or eight years ago, the officers of one of our principal railroads had good reasons for believing that some of the conductors upon a particular section of their road were in the habit of rendering inaccurate returns of their receipts from "way-passengers;" and as they were unable to fix the defalcation upon the particular individuals, Pinkerton was employed to investigate the matter, and test the accuracy of their suspicions. For the execution of this delicate service he selected a sufficient number of his best men to furnish four for every car in a train, one to be seated at each door and two in the centre of the car, the latter facing to the front and rear so as to see every person who went in or out. These men were directed not to recognize each other, but to pay their fares, and otherwise deport themselves like ordinary travelers. Each one was provided with pencil and paper, and instructed to keep an accurate record of every person that entered or left the cars, noting the stations to and from which they traveled, etc., so that if at the end of the trip their notes were in accord, it would be good evidence of accuracy. In this manner the major was enabled, in the course of a few days, to make a detailed report which showed conclusively that nearly every conductor upon the section of road under surveillance had been guilty of swindling. He also ascertained that one of these delinquents owned property to a large amount in Philadelphia.—Whereupon, as I was informed, Col. S——, the vice president, sent for the man, and the following dialogue ensued:

"Mr. ——, how long have you been employed as conductor on our road?"

"About seven years, Sir."

"What pay have you received during that time?"

"Eight hundred dollars a year."

"Do you own the house No. —— upon Street?"

"I do, Sir."

"Have you other property in this city?"

"I have."

"What is its value?"

"Well, sir, I can't tell precisely, but

is considerable."

"What estimate do you place upon your entire assets?"

"Something like forty thousand dollars."

"Were you the owner of any portion of this property when you entered our service?"

"Not a dollar's worth, Sir."

"You have a family to support, I understand?"

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*Deferential to all; Obsequious to none.*

## The Evangelical Alliance.

The great Conference of Evangelical Christians of all denominations assembled in Steinway Hall, N.Y., on Friday morning, 3d inst. The great hall was densely packed, and the ushers were obliged to call in the aid of the police to keep back the crowd. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed. Among the delegates were many of the most distinguished divines of American and foreign churches. The English church had her representatives, among whom is mentioned the Dean of Canterbury, Lord Alfred Churchill and Mr. Dana, Secy. of the British Branch of the Alliance. Germany was represented in the persons of some of her most learned and celebrated theologians, among them Dr. Krummacher, Dr. Paul Zimmerman, Dr. Parker, author of "Eccle Deus." From Sunny Italy and dissolute France; from Holland and Russia, and from far away India; from the scientific seminaries of Edinburgh, and from "oppressed" Ireland, delegates were sent by various religious bodies to attend and take part in this universal gathering of Christians.

Among the American delegates appear the names of Dr. McCosh, President of Princeton College; Prof. Raymond, of Vassar College; Rev. S. Ireneus Prime; Rev. John Cotton Smith; Geo. H. Stuart, of Philadelphia; Rev. Dr. Taylor, of the Tabernacle; Robt. C. Winthrop, of Mass., and Chancellor Bates, of Delaware.

When the delegates were assembled in the Hall a curious diversity of nationalities was presented. Their appearance is thus described by the N. Y. *World*:

The eye wandered from the flowing locks of some doctor from the Scandinavian peninsula to the black-browed countenance of the Protestant missionary at Athens, while some big and burly clergymen of the Established Church in England might be seen sitting beside a petit, spectacled clergyman from Germany. Amongst the throng was particularly conspicuous the turbaned head and flowing Oriental garments of the converted Brahmin, Rev. Narayan Sheshabali, of Benares, India, while the Frenchmen were noticeable for appearing in evening dress instead of the customary high-vested clerical garb.

The greater dignitaries, of course, were seated on the stage, Dr. Woolsey, the permanent president, occupying the centre, while Lord Churchill, ex-Governor Winthrop, of Massachusetts, and the other vice-presidents sat on either hand, the Dean of Canterbury, the author of "Eccle Deus;" Dr. Krummacher, Dr. Stoughton, and the remaining speakers of the session surrounding these.

The meeting was organized by the selection of Wm. E. Dodge, Esq., President of the American branch of the Alliance, as temporary chairman, and the exercises began with the singing of the long metre Doxology, the whole immense throng joining in the hymn, with splendid effect. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Dr. Dodge, of Princeton, asking the Divine blessing and guidance in the deliberations of the Conference. After the reading of a portion of the Scriptures and the repeating of the Apostolic Creed by the Dean of Canterbury, the whole audience joining the hymn "All hail the power of Jesus' Name," was sung amid the utmost enthusiasm. At its close the temporary chairman, Wm. E. Dodge, Esq., delivered a short address explanatory of the objects of the Conference, which he said was for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the Christian Church throughout the world and for the extension of a feeling of unity among Christians of every denomination and sect. The speaker then extended a cordial welcome to America to the foreign delegates.

At the close of Mr. Dodge's address the committee on permanent organization reported the following:

**President.—Theo. Woolsey, of New Haven, Conn., ex-Pres. of Yale College.**  
**Vice-Presidents—W. F. Havemeyer;**  
**Lord Alfred Churchill, of London;**  
**Robert C. Winthrop, of Massachusetts;**  
**Professor J. A. Dörner, of Germany;**  
**Governor Buckingham, of Connecticut;**  
**William E. Dodge;**  
**H. H. Stewart, of Virginia;**  
**the Rev. George Fisch, of France;**  
**William H. Grossbeck, of Ohio;**  
**F. T. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey;**  
**F. B. Brunot, of Pennsylvania;**  
**William H. Aspinwall, Alexi Cornwell, D. D.;**  
**William Claflin, Massachusetts;**  
**Professor Joseph Henry, of Washington;**  
**Charles Reed, of London;**  
**Ira Harris, of New York;**  
**George H. Stuart, of Philadelphia;**  
**Chancellor Daniel Bates, of Delaware;**  
**Professor Philip Schell, of New York;**  
**Peter Parker, of Washington;**  
**Eliz. H. Pendleton, of Ohio;**  
**John C. Dodge, of Maryland;**  
**and Mayor S. S. Powell, of Brooklyn.**

**Secretary.—The Rev. S. Ireneus Prime, of New York.**

Mr. Woolsey, on taking the chair, made a brief address repeating the welcome to the delegates, and returning his thanks for the honor conferred upon him. This for the guidance of the Conference was then adopted, and a committee on permanent organization was appointed, after which the name of Canterbury read a letter from

the Arch-bishop of Canterbury of England:

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## Local and State Affairs.

### Jones' Peach Culler.

It affords us much pleasure to add our testimony to the worth of the peach culling machine invented by our neighbor and friend, Mr. John Jones. After many trials and much labor last winter altering and arranging the various parts until at last he succeeded in building an instrument which he believed would answer the end that he had in view, and when it was put to the practical test it did not disappoint him. Taking the Culler, in its last improved state, Mr. Jones made a trip to the lower counties of the Peninsula, during peach season, and made personal exhibition of his invention to the farmers, and among the fruit of several prominent growers, all of whom, we believe, without a single exception, hesitated not to pronounce it a valuable acquisition in preparing peaches properly for market, and many proved their words by their deeds by at once ordering machines to be built for them for the next season. Mr. Jones has numerous testimonials from growers who will certify to the value of his invention. "Associated" of which certify that it will readily be copied by one man, with two boys to carry the fruit to and from it, pull upwards of one thousand bushels of peaches per day, and do it far better and more satisfactorily than it could be done by hand. Besides his Peach Culler, Mr. Jones has also invented a Stump Puller which beats anything of the kind ever before produced. He claims, and we believe, that it is the present invention of the Corps there were ever known. A. H. Skinner, of Trinity parish; S. G. Roberts, of Chester parish; C. J. Hendley, of St. Paul's and U. P. parish; F. N. Watson, of Christ Church parish; S. D. Hall of Shrewsbury parish, and the Dean, L. S. Russel, of St. Mary's parish.

Owing to the heavy rate of rain and night previous and the unpleasant state of the weather many persons from the neighboring parishes were compelled to leave their work and return home. The following day, however, quite kindly numbered assembled, including clergy and lay delegates from most of the churches of the diocese. After morning prayer, and sermon by Rev. Mr. Headley, the usual business of the Convocation was transacted. In the evening a very interesting missionary meeting was held; addresses being delivered by nearly all the clergymen present, after which a general offering for the poor was taken, and the meeting adjourned.

The Convocation, Easton Diocese. The Northern Convocation of the Diocese of Easton, P. E. Church, met in St. Stephen's church, near Cecilton, Md., on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7th and 8th inst. The Rev. H. C. Price Bishop, and the Presidents and Professors of the Seminary were present.

Our citizens have become somewhat accustomed to the rumble of that foundry and no longer stay away from prayer-meetings to gaze at the wonder, but pass it by on the other side.

Our friend "Abigale" Hyatt, is still doing a flourishing business, in the confectionery line, at his old stand, and offers the highest prices for fruits.

Our industrious friend, Mr. E. Mailley, is very busily engaged in husking his corn and hopes to get through soon in order to gather his pumpkins, of which he has a fine crop.

**NORTHERN CONVENTION, EASTON DIOCESE.**

The new Methodist Episcopal church, at Rising Sun, Cecil county, will be dedicated on the 16th inst. Rev. William H. Chapman, of Baltimore, will be the principal speaker, and Professors Sanders and Robinson, of Baltimore, will assist in the musical performances.

The new Union Church, at Poolesville, was destroyed by fire on Friday last, together with three head of horses, a colt, a quantity of grain and fodder, and a lot of bacon; said to be the work of an incendiary.

**ACQUITTEN.—Wash. Hinson, the negro man who was charged with killing a little negro child in a tenant house on the farm of Joseph Reys, Esq., in Sassafras Neck, last summer, was tried for the murder in the Court at Ellicott last week, and acquitted.**

The Centreville *Observer* states that a corps of engineers has arrived at Queenstown for the purpose of commencing the survey of the Chesapeake and Delaware railroad. The road is to run from Love Point, Kent Island, to Lewes Delaware.

The prospect for a good crop of corn in Cecil county is reported favorable; the crop is said to be well matured, with a fine yield of grain, but less fodder than usual, while potatoes will be a heavy yield.

Mr. John Henderson, of Newtown, has been placed upon the Democratic county ticket for the office of county surveyor of Worcester county, in place of William Richardson, who declined the nomination.

Another GRANGE.—Grange No. 3, of Patrons of Husbandry, was instituted at Rising Sun, Cecil county, on Friday evening of last week, for the benefit of county surveyor of Worcester county, in place of William Richardson, who declined the nomination.

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The farm in Morgan's Creek Neck, Kent county, occupied by W. A. Bramble, was sold on the 3rd ult., to J. G. Myers for \$3,700, and the Stewart farm to B. P. Hutchinson, for \$4,050.

The protracted meeting at Bay View, Cecil county, has ceased, because the members of the church have become worn out in their exertions. Much good has been done.

A new bell of four hundred pounds weight has been placed in the tower of the M. E. Church at Rising Sun.

**APOLoGISTS.—We must beg our friends and patrons to pardon the comparative dearth of reading matter this week, the press of new advertisements has been such that our columns are filled and much interesting reading is crowded out. This, however, is a fate to which all popular business journals are subject.**

**ATLANTIC CITY.**

On the sands which sparkle bright On the sunbeams' golden light, Where the rolling waves play Musically all the day.

—A. H. STANLEY.—*Evening Star*, Wash.

—A pair of spindly legs, a smiling slight, Tripping gaily over all.

In a suit from TOWER HALL.

This is a Suit you are sure to succeed in, either in business or pleasure, and our Fall Stock offers some splendid bargains in all kinds of Clothing. BENNETT & CO., Tower Hall, 518 Market Street, Philadelphia.

**Items of News.**

**FLOOD AND PESTILENCE IN TEXAS.**

The town of Lampasas was inundated on Saturday 27 inst., by the sudden rise of a creek that flows through the place. Twenty houses were carried away, including the post office and contents and the store of Woods & Charlton and contents. Six persons are known to have been drowned.

**MINOR TOPICS.**

The second annual gathering of the Episcopal School Society of the Diocese of the Sunbury, was held at the schoolroom of the Diocese, at St. John's church, and was in every respect a pleasant affair. The church, which was appropriately decorated, was filled with the friends of the schools, and the exercises were of an interesting character. Addresses were made by Bishop Lee, of Delaware, Bishop St. John, of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Twiss, of New York, Secretary and General Agent of the Board of Missions of Episcopal church. Over twenty ministers were in the church. The addresses were interspersed with music both vocal and instrumental, which was very finely rendered.

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At the annual session of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, A. F. A. M., held last week, the following officers were elected:

**Grand Master—John P. Allmond.**

**Deputy Grand Master—John Williams.**

**Grand Treasurer—C. G. King.**

**Grand Secretary—John P. Marshall.**

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The Grand officers elect were installed.

The next session will be held in Wilmington, on the first Wednesday of October, 1874, to which time the Grand Lodge, at 4:45 P. M., adjourned.

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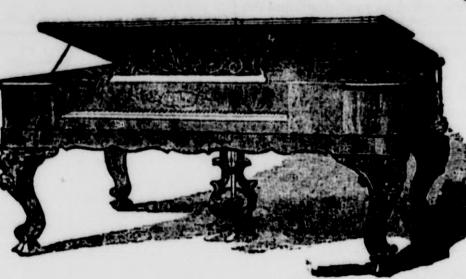
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